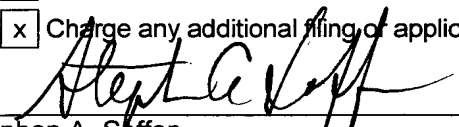
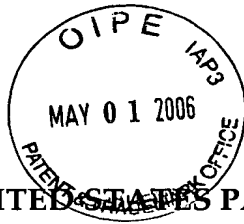


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Application No. 10/083,568	Filing Date February 27, 2002	Examiner G. K. Dawson	Art Unit 3761		
Applicant(s): William C. Benavitz et al.					
Invention: INSERT MOLDED PUSH-IN SUTURE ANCHOR					
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**AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response the Office Action dated December 29, 2005, finally rejecting claims 1-6 and 8-20, in view of the Advisory Action dated April 12, 2006, and accordance with the Request for Continued Examination concurrently filed herewith, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 5 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.